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Methodist—Rev. H. W. Joiner, pastor. Services at 7 p. m. every Sunday and at 11 a. m. on the first and third Sundays at the Punta Gorda church; Sunday school every Sunday 10 a. m.; prayer meeting Wednesday evening of each week. Epworth League meets every Sunday 3:30 p. m. Charlotte Harbor Methodist church—Services at 7 p. m. on second and fourth Sundays and at 7 p. m. on Saturdays previous.

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## TARPON ARE BITING.

Report of Last Week's Catches of Silver Kings.

THE HERALD had scarcely got circulated last week when Dr. Blount came up and reported that the tarpon at Boca Grande and Useppa had taken a sudden notion to bite and that several fine ones had been landed. Among other notable catches, Mrs. Turner-Turner, a tourist from England stopping at Useppa Inn, had caught one tarpon that weighed 165 pounds.

An incident of the tarpon fishing was the cutting loose one night last week of all the boats of the colored tarpon guides on Useppa Island. All except one, however, were recovered. It is supposed that the white guides from Punta Rassa cut the boats loose. Since the above was in type, John Vanderliet, one of the colored guides at Useppa, has kindly furnished THE HERALD with the following report of tarpon caught last week:

Mr. J. W. Harrow, Greenville, Miss., one tarpon, 65 pounds; guide, Wm. Washington.

Judge J. F. Dempsey, Ky., one fish, 85 pounds; guide, Jno. West, Fort Myers.

Dr. J. A. Kelly, Geneva, Ohio; one tarpon, 48 pounds; guide, Antonio Padillo.

Mrs. J. Turner-Turner, England; one, weight 165 pounds; guide, Jno. Bane, Punta Rassa.

Mrs. J. Turner-Turner, Jr.; one tarpon, weight 80 pounds; guide, Albert Miller, who was rewarded with a purse of \$80.00.

Mrs. A. P. Ward, England; one, weight 108; guide, Berry Stanley.

Capt. E. M. Statler, Buffalo, N. Y.; one, 68 pounds.

The guide reported an unusual number of tarpon in the waters of Boca Grande and Captiva passages.

## GET THE INDIAN'S SHIRT.

General Gilchrist has captured Billy Jumper's gorgeous shirt and proposes to wear it as soon as it is washed. He got it right off the Indian's back; found him sitting down in the forest, and being impressed with the splendor of his costume, bantered Billy to buy his shirt. After some parley, the Seminole chieftain agreed to take \$3.00 for the variegated garment, which was forthwith paid him and he then and there pulled off the treasure and handed it to the general, who now has it adorning the walls of his museum in this city. It is certainly a splendid thing!

That was recently, when General Gilchrist went down to Jupiter and took an excursion on pony back out into the Indian settlement. Besides the shirt, the general bought at high prices several other curiosities of Seminole manufacture, among them two sofkee (homin) spoons, a dancing warrior's beaded and tasseled belt, a bow and arrows and a big 13-pound dancing rattle made of terrapin shells with shot inside and worn on each ankle by a Seminole woman when she is dancing.

The belts, though gaudy, are really pretty and show much taste and artistic skill in their design. The brave's belt cost \$3.00, the squaw's \$3.00. In fact, the general squandered a considerable sum in the improvement of his Punta Gorda museum.

## PICKINGS FROM FICTION.

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## Obtaining Smallpox Pittings.

Scientific treatment and much skill are required to remove smallpox pittings successfully. This treatment is given by a massaseuse, but massase is not used, as it would never remove the pittings. The process requires a careful removing, little by little, of old scabs. The new, which takes the place, is smoother than its predecessor and requires about ten days for treatment. Thus, after a couple of more treatments and in a comparatively short time, the deepest scars are replaced by a perfectly smooth skin.

## Mer Hops.

He—When we get better acquainted, I shall call you by your first name.

She—All right. And I hope our acquaintance will reach the point where my friends can call me by your last name.—Chicago News.

## Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets

the remedy that cures a cold in one day.

By the Atlantic Coast Line.

Southern Railway Gets Fee Simple Rights Into Jacksonville.

A New York special of April 3d to the Atlanta Constitution announces that the Atlantic Coast Line system of railways has absorbed the Plant system and that at an early date both systems will be consolidated under the name and charter of the Atlantic Coast Line system.

The general management of the Coast Line will operate the entire system, all the lines of both systems being merged into one great system of railroads, aggregating 3,000 miles in length.

While the Southern is not directly interested in the deal, it can be announced definitely that it has made a splendid stroke in securing a perpetual contract obligation by which it will have fee simple rights into Jacksonville from Savannah, connecting with its eastern lines, and from Jacksonville connecting with its western lines. The Coast Line operates from Richmond, Va., to Charleston, S. C., with innumerable ramifications in the States of Virginia, North and South Carolina.

The Plant System operates from Charleston, S. C., into Georgia and westward to Montgomery, Ala., and it covers the whole State of Florida with a network of lines. The headquarters of the Plant System are now at Savannah, while those of the Coast Line are at Wilmington, N. C.

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